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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	)	Art Unit 2878
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Paul E. West, et al.	)	Examiner: Kevin Wyatt
	)	
Application No. 10/700,794	)	
	)	ELECTION UNDER RULE 143
Filed: November 4, 2003	)	<u>(37 C.F.R. § 1.143)</u>
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For: OSCILATING SCANNING	)	Palo Alto, CA 94301
PROBE MICROSCOPE	)	August 12, 2005
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Sir:

This replies to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed on July 12, 2005 in connection with the above-identified patent application. In the July 12, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner interposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

I. Claims 1-26 drawn to a scanning probe microscope, classified in class 250, subclass 234.

II. Claims 27-29 drawn to a method for operating a scanning probe, classified in class 250, subclass 559.06.

Applicants elect Group I, namely, claims 1-26, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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